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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE****In re Application of:**

Aldred et al.

**Serial No.:** 09/772,546**Filed:** January 30, 2001**Title:** Interactive Method for Real-Time  
Displaying, Querying and Forecasting  
Drilling Event and Hazard Information**Attorney Docket No.:** 19.0299**Group Art Unit:** 2128**Examiner:** M. Shaawat

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Date**Response and Amendment**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D. C. 20231

Dear Sir or Ma'am:

In response to the Office Action dated July 15, 2004, please consider the following comments.

**Introductory Remarks**

Claims 3, 15, 25 and 26 have been rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph for improper antecedent basis. Claims 2, 14 and 24 have been amended to provide the proper antecedent basis. Claims 1-33 have been further rejected under 35 USC 102(e) based on Rao (US 6,480,118). Applicants submit herewith the following remarks distinguishing the Rao reference. Claims 1-33 remain under consideration.

**Extension of time**

Applicant hereby request an one month extension of time to file this Response and Amendment. Please charge any applicable fees deposit account number 19-0610.

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